(b) No, Sir. NREGA was implemented in 22 districts of Uttar Pradesh with effect from 2.2.2006 in the first phase. The Act was extended to 17 additional districts in the State with effect from 15.5.2007 in its second phase. The remaining rural districts have been selected for next phase to be implemented with effect from 1.4.2008. Year-wise performance of Uttar Pradesh under NREGA is given below.

Year	No. of districts covered	No. of Households demanded Employment	No. of households provided Employment	Total works taken up	No. of works completed	No. of works in progress
2006-07	22	2676261	2573245	75500	42984	32516
2007-08 (up to Oct., 07)	39	2499265	2468934	64865	29863	35002

In the beginning due to State Assembly elections, the progress under NREGA was affected. However, now the progress of NREGA in Uttar Pradesh has picked up. The progress of NREGA in eastern Uttar Pradesh is also in line with the rest of the State.

(c) Does not arise.

Construction of roads in Buxar under PMGSY

*289. SHRI BASHISTHA NARAIN SINGH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of roads being constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in the Buxar district of Bihar;

(b) their completion schedule, funds allocated and percentage of completion of work so far;

(c) is there any time and cost overrun;

(d) the details of the roads proposed to be taken in the next financial year;

(e) the proposed time-limit for the completion of Itarhi-Koran Sarai segment;

(f) whether there is any complaint from the public regarding quality of work; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) Under Phase I of PMGSY, 4 nos. road works were sanctioned for Buxar district of Bihar and have been completed. Under Phase II, 16 nos. road works were sanctioned out of which 14 have been completed. The details have been given in statement I (*See* below). The details of road works taken up from Phase III onwards have been given in Statement II. (*See* below).

(b) Programme guidelines stipulate that all works should be completed within 12 months from the date of issue of work order. Details of sanctioned cost and physical progress have been given in Statement I & II (*See* below).

(c) There is no cost overrun. There is timed overrun due to Panchayat elections, encroachment, rainy season etc.

(d) Clearance of road projects under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a continuous process. Works from Phase III onwards are being implemented by central agencies in Bihar. As and when Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) are prepared and submitted by the central agencies to the Ministry, the proposals are scrutinized and accorded clearance. All efforts are being made to achieve the targets under rural roads component of Bharat Nirman in Bihar within the prescribed time frame i.e. by 2009.

(e) Road work Itarhi path to Pakri More, Narayanpur was cleared by the Ministry of Rural Development in February, 2006 and Koran Sarai segment falls on this road. 80% of works on this road has been completed up to october 2007 and the remaining work is expected to be completed during the current financial year.

(f) There is no complaint from the public regarding quality of Itarhi path to Pakri More road. However, one complaint has been received regarding construction of Krisnabrahma to Girdharbaron road.

(g) The complaint is regarding improper use of sand and moorum in road construction, discrepancy in bituminous carpeting and use of seal coat, provision of improper drainage in culvert. This road work was inspected earlier twice by National Quality Monitor (NQM). However, no adverse comment about improper drainage and culvert was reported by NQM. Another NQM is being deputed to inspect the work with specific reference to the complaint received.

Statement-I

The Details of roads being Constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana

Progress for 2000-01, Phase-I

Name of State: Bihar Name of District: Buxar

As on 31st October 2007

Sl. No.	Name of Block	Package No.	Name of Road	Actual Length (in Km)	Sanctioned Cost (in Rs. Lakh)	Physical progress
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Rajpur	BR0801	Buxar Sasaram Road to Bhalua Hathua Sisrarh Road	3.630	66.14	Complete
2.	Buxar	BR0801	Dudharchak Shiwala to Majharia Bandh	2.340	45.70	Complete
3.	Dumraon	BR0802	Samhar to Nenuan	2.500	56.00	Complete
4.	Brahmpur	BR0802	Chakki to Jawahi Diara	3.000	63.23	Complete
			Progress for 2001-03, Phase II			
1.	Brahmpur	BR0803	Denga Baba Brahms-than to Chhotki Nainijore	1.100	37.482	Complete
2.	Brahmpur	BR0803	Ekrashi to Fafdar via Ghanshyampur Patalpur	1.700	36.615	Complete
3.	Kesath	BR0803	Kesath to Dhenuadih	1.000	18.451	Complete

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4.	Dumraon	BR0803	Khalwa Inar Karuanj More to Kasian	1.350	27.929	Complete
5.	Nawanagar	BR0803	Nawanagar Thakurwari PWD Rd to Bhatauli via Ranbirpur	1.800	33.511	Complete
6.	Dumraon	BR0803	Noniapura to Chatanwar	1.150	28.034	Complete
7.	Itarhi	BR0804	Bairi to Harpur	1.955	37.319	Complete
8.	Chaugai	BR0804	Birpur to Chhotki Dih Nachap	1.300	27.622	Complete
9.	Chausa	BR0804	Chausa Mohania PWD Rd to Dehri via Rohinibhan	1.710	40.566	Complete
10.	Rajpur	BR0804	Dadhra from Nahar to Chandpur	1.200	22.770	Complete
11.	Rajpur	BR0804	Dhansoi Dinara PWD Rd to Samhauta	1.000	19.140	Complete
12.	Buxar	BR0805	Chhotki Basauli More in Buxar Nenua Rd to Barki Basauli	1.450	33.650	Complete
13.	Simri	BR0805	Dullapur more in Simri Sonbasa Rd to Balihar Mission School More	1.400	33.390	Complete
14.	Simri	BR0805	Magnu Brahm Sthan in new Bhojpur Rd to Kharha Tand More	0.883	22.080	Complete
15.	Buxar	BR0805	Mahda to Panditpur via Gacchi	0.800	18.290	Work completed over 0.3 km. Work over the remaining length could not be taken up due to non-availability of land.
16	Simri	BR0805	Rampur Mathia Main Rd to Mukundpur	0.900	19.780	Land Problem (Court Case)

Statement-II

The details of road work taken up from Phase III onwards in Buxar Bihar

Upto October, 2007

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Length	Cost as Cleared by Government of India	Date of Clearance by Government of India	Physical Progress of Work
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Ashapadri to Niyazipur Bund.	5.85	126.78	18-03-05	80%
2.	Dhundharichak to Mission More via Baragaon Path.	5.85	129.51	18-03-05	90%

1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	Simri to Ballihar High School	2.38	71.01	18-03-05	100%
4.	Krishna Brahama to Gir Dhabrawh	19.25	473.48	02-09-05	100%
5.	Birhampur to Nainijeer	14	358.41	07-09-05	100%
6.	Teeyana to Harpur Banni	15.50	357.48	07-09-05	90%
7.	Basuchas Chougai Path	10.81	269.06	06-02-06	100%
8.	Buxar Itarhi Path to Pakri More, Narayanpur	7.50	187.56	06-02-06	80%
9.	Bashi Tikri Path, Rajpur	15.40	443.28	06-02-06	70%
10.	Koransarai to Narayanpur, Dumraon	9.10	243.29	06-02-06	75%
11.	Jamouli Itwa Path via Sargaon to Sonia, Rajpur	13.70	324.68	06-02-06	100%
12.	Ara Buxar road to Garhatta, Brahmpura (Bridge)	0.082	427.88	—	NIT under process
13.	Link road to Brahmpur Nainigore road	8.46	311.87	20-08-07	Tender Invited
14.	Sapahi Balua-Gaighat road Barhampur	5.98	234.40	19-10-07	Tender Invited
15.	Link of Brahmpur Nainigore road Dega Baba to Kamamepur	5.36	202.51	20-08-07	Tender Invited
16.	Ariyaon Brahsthan to Bagen road, Dumraon	9.80	336.20	19-10-07	Tender Invited
17.	Belhari road Dumraw	6.55	268.76	20-08-07	Tender Invited
18.	Khebli more Kuran sarai road Dumraon	3.93	165.83	19-10-07	Tender Invited
19.	Ariyaw to Bramhsthan to Nandan road	4.36	141.23	20-08-07	Tender Invited
20.	Rehiya to Rebatiya road, Dumraon'	4.15	156.44	19-10-07	Tender Invited
21.	Samia Narayanpur Pakri road to Barkagaon, Itarhi	11.50	412.82	19-10-07	NIT under process
22.	Buxar Dhansoi road to Basawn Kala, Itarhi	12.05	358.43	19-10-07	NIT under process
23.	Buxar Dhasoi road to Karmi,Itarhi	8.55	224.40	19-10-07	NIT under process
24.	Buxar Dhansoi road to Lodhas, Itarhi	6.08	203.05	19-10-07	NIT under process
25.	Buxar Dhansoi road to Chilhar, Itarhi	3.15	117.53	19-10-07	NIT under process
26.	Buxar Itarhi SH to Badka Unuon, Buxar	4.55	168.33	19-10-07	NIT under process
27.	Buxar Ara NH-34 to Karhansi, Buxar	9.00	297.87	19-10-07	NIT under process
28.	Buxar Ara NH 34 to Kashipur, Buxar	7.50	255.92	19-10-07	NIT under process

1	2	3	4	5	6
29.	Buxar SSMSH to Baghelwa,Buxar	6.25	206.26	19-10-07	NIT under process
30.	Bagengola to Manaki, Brahmpur	5.00	169.84	19-10-07	NIT under process
31.	Begen road to Dharadi Brahmpur	5.20	197.30	19-10-07	NIT under process
32.	Nawa Nagar to Gunjadehri, Nawa Nagar	5.23	174.58	19-10-07	NIT under process
33.	Nawa Nagar to Bhrari, Nawa Nagar	16.53	528.98	19-10-07	NIT under process
34.	Ara Buxar road to Garhatta	3.08	234.41	19-10-07	Tender Invited

Decrease in tickets and passes for IITF

*290. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that it had been decided to cut the number of tickets and passes by almost half for the just concluded India International Fair (IITF) 2007; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) No, Sir. In fact the number of tickets printed for the public for India International Trade Fair (IITF), 2007 were more than the number of tickets sold last year. The numbers of complimentary passes were reduced.

(b) This was done for better management of the fair and for public convenience.

Separatist activities in NE

†*291. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that intelligence agencies of Pakistan and Bangladesh are running separatist activities together in the North East States;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that many terrorist organizations of North-East have set up a front jointly;

(c) if so, whether Government has formulated any action plan to stop this; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Available inputs indicate that some Indian insurgent Groups (IIGs), active in the North Eastern region, have been using the territory of Bangladesh, and have links with the Pakistan ISI.

(b) There are reports of inter-linkages of IIGs active in the North East for the tactical purposes of shelter/hideouts, procurement of arms and training, etc.

(c) and (d) Efforts of the State Governments, who are primarily responsible for ensuring

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.